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FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN, INVITATION NO. 11, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-273

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell frozen cooked diced chicken meat produced from fowl as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Feb. 2. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 6. Deliveries are to be made from March 16 to March 31.

Offers will be invited from approved suppliers for frozen cooked diced chicken meat, produced from ready-to-cook fowl (a class of mature female chickens), packed in four 10-pound (4.54 kg) packages to a net weight of 40 pounds (18.14 kg) in each shipping container. A purchase unit will consist of 1,000 shipping containers totaling 40,000 pounds (18,144 kg).

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-273, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated July 2003, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-273, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY273
INVITATION : 011
COMM GROUP : 22 CHICKEN, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 21 CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN
PACK SIZE : 40 40 LB CTN

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (LBS)
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DELIVERY PERIOD 03/16/04 - 03/31/04

001	PUYALLUP	WA	TRUCK ONLY	22,000
	SPOKANE	WA	TRUCK ONLY	18,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 40,000

TOTAL QUANTITY FOR INVITATION 40,000

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Contracting Officer

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